Among Strangers.

"Have you got a trade?"

His Reply to Resolutions.

ceipt of His Formal Letter-

Business of the Session.

The open letter of Gov. G. W. Atkinson,

of West Virginia, published yesterday, pur-

porting to be a reply to the resolutions

of the local Federation of Lator, con-

denning his action in relation to the coal

nouncing without cause one who has alway stood for labor, and who is now the abid

ing friend of the toiling masses. The peo-

to be able to state to you that all the

resolutions you can pass have no effect

The Federation takes it for granted that

A letter was received from the United Mine Workers' Union of Pittsburg, Pa-

and stating that it did not believe the

local body could aid them in not patroniz-

ing the coal output of any particular mine. What is needed the most the letter stated

was money to send organizers into the

Delegates from Carpenters' Union, No. 1.

opposite Fort Washington, and the secre-

tary was instructed to write the Secre tary of War and inform him of the facts

BUSSIA'S WHEAT SUPPLY.

American Agents to Watch the Ef-

feet of the New Siberian Railway.

Two agents of the Agricultural De-

Wilson to obtain information about the

probable effect of the opening of the

Trans-Siberian Railway on the exporta-

ion of the wheat crop of the United

The railway will be put in operation in 1900. It will traverse the fertile

Siberian grain fields and in connection

with other roads will furnish wheat to

Europe at a reduction of cost. The

agents will study the situation and

whether the increased means of trans-

portation will cause loss to the grain

Plasterers' Union Elect Officers.

The semi-annual election for officers of

ocal Union, No. 96, International Opera-

tive Plasterers, held on Monday eyening.

resulted as follows: President, James

Carmody, vice president, Patrick Canty; recording secretary, S. A. Clements; fi-

nancial secretary, J. D. Avery; treasurer

Dennis Maboney; sergeant-at-arms, J. B.

Scott. Five new members were initiated

and twenty applications for membership

Jane Moseley to Colonial Beach.

The all-day excursions of the steamer Jane Moseley have proven themselves es-

day sight tip of the steamer anosency is an especially attractive one. The run to the Beach is made in a short time, and the tickets are good to return on the Tuesday evening boat. The usual Friday family excursion will be given, when the fare will be twenty-five cents.

You may hunt the world over and you will not find another medicine equal to

Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoca

Remedy for bowel complaints. It is pleas-ant, safe and reliable. For sale by Henry

Evans, Wholesale and Retail Druggist, 938

F street northwest and Connecticutavenue and S street northwest and 1428 Maryiand

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By special train from Washington at 8:10 a. m., August 1, connecting with electric cars at East Baltimore. Returning, leave Point Breeze at 7:00 p. m. All popular amusements for a day's enjoyment. Round trip, \$1.00.

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growers of this country.

were received.

rtment will be sent abroad by Secretary

a copy of Gov. Atkinson's letter to it is in the mail and has appointed a committee to

gather data for a reply.

reported a violation of the el-

in the case

States.

# GOLD FEVER IS EPIDEMIC

More Than Five Hundred Washingtonians Have It.

#### YEARNING FOR THE YUKON

Cunumbered Appeals to Accompany the Labor Department Expert to Alaska-Why the Name of Carroll Wright's Gold Ambassador Has Been Withheld.

A great many people have doubtless wondered why Hon. Carroll D Wright. Commissioner of Labor, has not taken the public into his confidence and told it the name of the gentleman who is to leave here next Saturday morning for the valleys and gold fields of the Yukon. And the wonder will be increased when the public is informed that the appointment has been

Some people have asked is Commissioner Wright going himself, inasmuch as the function to be performed is one of the most interesting that has fallen to any Government official's share since 1849. It was a fair question under the circumstances and it was asked of Col. Wright yesterday afternoon. The Commissioner confessed that he would like to be rich, to become that he would like to be real, to become rich suddenly, inordinately suddenly and inordinately opulent, but he drew the line at a winter trip from Juneau over the mountains and into the valley of death and

The state secreey of the name of this expert appointed of the Department of Labor revealed a more important fact, however, than the mere knowing of the name. It has demonstrated that Washingt have taken more interest in the gold fields than the mere reading of the gift edge literature on that subject. There are more than 500, and possibly 600, who want to go and the interesting substanwant to go with the mysterious unnamed ambassader of Col. Wright to the golden beds and streams of Alaska. No sooner had the announce

made in The Times of the fact that an expert would be sent than the office of the Commissioner of Latior was flooded with mail, literally flooded. Hundreds of people knew a good thing when they saw it, and it o corred to these great numbers that it would not only be a good thing to get gold dust by the bushel in Alaska, but that if they could only get out there under the wing and auspices of the Govern expert it would be a good thing at both usioner Wright did not, of course, read any of the letters, but from said most of them bristled with powerful and indusating arguments on the line of the special advantage to the Government of permitting the expert to be accompanied by the applicants, severally considered, of course There was not lacking in these appeals requests from newspapers for "our special conneissioner," as the new phrase is, to go along

The department of labor has turned a deaf ear to all these requests, so that there isn't the slightest chance of any? tody riding in this expert's sled from Junea. He will leave here Saturday morning; will reach SanFrancisco on Thursday, He will stay there for perhaps two days, and then set out for Juneau, from which, with all expedition, under the auspices of the Treasury officials, he will set out for the country of the craze and the lunatics.

There is every season why this expert should go and report as soon as possible without the assistance of accompanying correspondents, who would begin to for-nish the New York public with the facts before the expert left Juneau or perhaps fan Francisco. The scope of the expert's work has already been stated in The Times. He will report on the opportunities and conditions of labor out there, and in gen-eral whether it is a field to which the Department of Labor can invite the citi-zens of the United States. Such a report, with cold facts literally and metaphori-cally, is what is most to be desired just now, in place of the remancing out of geo-logical reports. Commissioner Wright said that the result of the expert's work would be published early enough in the spring to give the public practical informa tion, by which it could guide its certain apring n-ovement to the gold fields.

Amond the Labor Bureau they think that the expert, whoever he may be, has a good thing, and that if be doesn't come back with his hair full of gold dust and several tens of the integral staff he is not the expert they take him to be.

### GOLD FEVER IN NEW YORK.

Miners Who Are Prospecting in Their Back Yards and Cellars. New York, July 27.-The gold fever aroused by the Klondike finds have at tacked some persons in this vicinity verhard, and they are looking for gold in their back yards and cellars. Two alleged gold mines were discovered

today. A man on Rikers' Island, in Long Island Sound, found some stones there with yellow streaks. He was sure he had an Eldorado until disillusioned by an as-

sayer, who pronounced the find mica.

The other find was in Williamsburg. Fifteen Italian Inborers digging an excavawellow earth this morning. They beaped up all the clay and carefully guarded it while a committee visited a near-by jewele with samples. He examined it and said It was nothing but common yellow clay The Italians were much crestfallen, for they thought they had struck it rich.

### OFF FOR THE KLONDIKE.

Five Italian Fruit Venders Leave Washington for the Gold Fields.

The crare for gold which now tingles in the blood of every man in the city has fired the arder of a party of Italian fruit dealers, and they have abandoned the pearest business for the more lucrative employment of picking up gold nuggets.

Among the first to become inspired by

the news from Klendike was Sam George, a prosperous fruit dealer, whose place of business is across from the Palais Royal

George devouted every bit of information he could obtain with avidity. He talked enthusiastically of the opportunities pre-sented to every man who got to the gold fields, and in a short time he had com micated his enthusiasm to a number of his friends. All were married men, and for a while all thoughts of going to Alaska were dampened by the fact of the wives and children. At last the gold fever conquered, and yesterday morning a little party consisting of Sam George, Jack Ot-tora, Oscar Blas, Oscar Beata and a man named Messcha made their way to the Baltimore and Ohio station and bought tickets to Senttle

The men were well equipped with warm clothing and other necessaries, and appeared to be comfortably fixed in their sey matters. The fare for their journey

George lives on the corner of Twelfth and Massachusetts avenue. The neigh-borhood is a nice one and the man's they fed son family appear to be well situated. Yes-

women called upon the wife, and when a Times man dropped in they were busy chatting and drinking ten Mrs. George mly seems to know that her husband he nome for gold. How he intends to ob-tain it or where she doesn't seem to care. He has left her comfortably situated and has placed another man in charge of his

DESERTED BY THE SAILORS.

Crews of Ships Unable to Withstand the Gold Fever.

San Francisco, July 27 .- The gold fever has a rock the sailers and descritons are numerous from ahips up North. Shippers here expect soon to hear of craft being tied up in Alaskan ports, just as they were in this burbor in '49, when crews deserted by the wholesale to dig gold.

When the steamship Puebla arrived Capt. Debney resorted that the mates of the Alki and the Topeka had left their ships in

Other steamer captains before they left recently said they would be lucky if they annaged to keep enough men to work he ship after they reached the Northern

### THE FORT ON THE YUKON

Soldiers Will Sail From San Francisco on August 5.

War Department Making Haste to Establish "Comp McKinley" Before the Winter Sets In.

Preparations for the establishment of a United States fort in the Yokon are rushing forward with remarkable rapidity at the War Department. Capt. Henry P. Ray, Fighth Infantry, has been selected to comnand the pioneer detachment of fifty men which will go forward by steamer, leaving

Seattle Thursday, August 5.

The half hundred men who are to form the little company are now being selected by Gen Shafter from volunteers and will be joined in a few days by Capt. Ray, who is now at Fort D. A. Russell, Wyoming-

A contract has been made with a Pacific const transportation company to take the command on toard a special steamer at Scattle August 5, and proceed with them directly to the mouth of the river, which is to be ascended with all possible pred in order to teach the highest navigable point before the stream freezes Special cold weather tents of the latest

esign, with their stoves and other colddispelling paraphernalia, were sent by express to Seattle from the Philadelphia quartermaster's depot yesterday. Fur clothing and blankets are being purchased in San Francisco to be delivered on the tenmer by the end of the week, and the compaissary general is making open regula-tion purchases of enormous quantities of food to last the command in emergencies

at least one year.
On account of the impossibility of securing forage or sending it in sufficient quan-titles, the idea of taking pack animals has been abandoned; consequently this win-ter's camp will have to be established just where the steamer is compelled to dis-charge its freight. This place will be ned Camp McKinley.

An informal meeting of the Cabinet was held last night at the White House, during which the proposition to establish a military post in Alaska was discussed. This project was talked over at the Cabinet meeting held during the day, but no conclusion was reached, and it was decided to continue the discussion in an informal manner in the evening.

The Cabinet is understood to be favorably inclined to the establishment of this post, if the necessary funds can be spared from the War Department appropriation, and it is the scarcity of funds that has created the hitch. The President con-cinded last night not to make a final decision in the matter then, but it is expected he will do so today before de parting for Lake Champlain.

# FORMER ALASKAN PARTIES

Story of a Survivor of the Seward Expedition.

First American Flag Unfurled Above the Icy Wastes Is Folded Carefully Away in This City.

Mr. Joreph I. Keefer, the last survivor of the Seward State Department expedi tion to Alaska in 1867, in which he was alde-de-camp to Capt. T. E. Ketchum, comanding the party which unfuried the first American flag on Alaskan soil, told a Times reporter yesterday that he not only knows where the Seward expedition flag is, but overland expedition, which has been thought lost by the members of the party. In discussing the two expeditions and

their early flogs Mr. Keefer said: "I want to mention that in the summer of 1894, in hunting for our flag, which is unquestionably the one entitled to the bonor of being first, curiously enough I came across the Western Union flag In the Smithsonian. I suppose the fact is un-

Western Union party.
"Our flag-the Seward flag-is behind the Trained copy of the original Declara-

tion of Independence."

Mr. Keefer washed gold at old Fort
Comes and Fort Michaelen the Yukon, and found it in plenty on that expedition. Pre vious to that in the gold region of Colorado county, Cal., he had washed there with the same pan. He was struck at the with the similarity of the earth and with the fact that the Alaskan gold was are plentiful.

Mr Keefer states that he traded for a quantity of diamonds from the natives, and is of the opinion that this land of wonders abounds in valuable gems await-ing only the hand of the miner to be He brought home with him many curiosities, among them a bas-relief hieroglyphic of a prayer on an lvory tusk. It was on exhibition at the time in the window of Charles Chase, the old umbrella man, next to Willard's Hotel, in 1869 The relic was examined by experts, and while the prayer was incomplete, it was renounced to be authentic and a most vonderful relic.

The natives of Alaska, Mr. Keefer says believe their forefathers originated at the pole and worked their way down, and to hold urine and scalding pain in passing were finally cut off from their friends. It, or bad effects following use of liquor, were finally cut off from their friends.
They believe that life at the pole, or "edge of the earth," still exists They state that they and the Indians are disway of the Aleutian Islands, and went effect of Swamp-Rootis soon realized. It outhward, under a leader named Chem.

Keefer states that his party shot a duck, and on opening its craw, found by druggists, price fifty cents and one a strange, angular-shaped kernel of grain.

which was different from any of the American grains. The ducks were comthey fed somewhere north, and on a The proprietors of this paper guarantee the

# HELD FOR THE GRAND JUR'

Young Locke's Two Wives Give Testimony Against Him.

GRAVES OVERCOME

After Ber Examination Is Concluded She Puts Her Head on Her Mother's Shoulder and Weeps-The Defendant Sent to Jail in Default of \$1,000 Bail.

James R. Locke, the young man who was thoroughly imbued with the idea that narriage was not a failure that he went through the ceremony with Miss Pearl C. Graves, of Capitol Hill, while he was yet bound in lawful wedlock with his first wife, nec Jett, of Thirtieth street northwest, as stated in The Times, was yes terday called in the police court and charged with bigamy. The courtroom wascrowded with spectators who wished to see the participants in the domestic drama, when oner was arraigned and pleaded "not

"If your honor please," said Attorney Charles Daw, for the defendant, "I move a continuance of this case, since have had today for the first time an opportunity to talk with my client, and I an nardly prepared to meet the testimony in y be adduced by the prosecution Mr Baker, for the Government, contended that the case should not be continued for

many reasons. "The second wife," he said, "desires to go to Baltimore tomorrow, and the first wife is in such a condition that if she left the courthouse today there is no telling when she could again come before the

Judge Mills thought that the objections to a continuance were good ones, and or-dered that the case go on for preliminary During the argument for coninuance the prisoner and the witnesses in he case presented an interesting group. Locke good in the dock attired in a slack cutaway suit, low-cut vest and white awn the. The prisoner is a well-built man, of perhaps twenty-three years of age, with a troubled box in his small brown eyes. lawn tie. There were dark rings beneath them, and he nervously played with his mustache while listening to the argument of his coun

Directly in the rear of the prisoner and to the right of the witness stand sat Pearl Graves, the second wife of Locke, and she ooked little more than a schoolgirl as she caned on her mother for support and or casionally wiped a tear from her eyes. She is a slender little thing, with confid ing eyes and an abundance of tich brown hair. She was dressed in a dark blue suit and wore a dark straw hat trimmed with red roses.

To the rear and left of wife No. 2, ant the first Mrs. Locke. She is a tall woman, a blond of the German type, and hardly so attractive in appearance as the prisoner's latest charmer. She wore a loose black dress and held in her arms the baby child of the defendant. She was accompanied by her mother and father and when called to the stand placed the child in its grandmother's arms. The prosecuting wit ess is enciente and she was kept on the stand for a few minutes only. Mr. Baker-Do you know the prisoner at

the bar? Mrs Locke-I do. Baker-Who is be?

Mrs. Locke-James B. Locke, my hus

"When and where were you married?" continued Mr. Baker.
"At my father's home," said the wit-"on January 25, 1894."

"That will do," said the prosecuting at-Sallie Poore, who was bridesmald at the redding, and the father also testified to

the first marriage. Miss Pearl Graves, wife No. 2, was next called to the stand, and in a weak, timid field. voice testified to her marriage to the defendant by the Rev. E. O. Eldridge, of Waugh M. E. Church. As she stood on the In the work being done at Point Sheridan stand and looked down at Locks he apparently, for the first time, felt em-barrassed, dropped his eyes to the floor and relapsed into his favorite habit of twisting and chewing the ends of his

There were tears in Miss Graves' eyes as she spoke of her marriage, and when she returned to the side of her mother she clasped her hands and leaned her head upon her shoulder. The mother bent down, kissed her and tenderly smoothed her hair

The testimony as to the second marriage was corroborated by Rev. E. O. Ehlridge, of Waugh M E. Church, and here the Gov ernment rested its case. No argument whatever was made by either side, and Judge Mills merely said: "One thousand dollars."

Locke is, therefore, held for the grand jury in bond to that amount, and it is possible that he may sometime hereafter be obliged to answer to the charge of perjury, as he secured the second Beense self, and to do so was obliged to make affliavit that he was a single man

Someillan to Be Released.

Copyal General Lee has notified the State Department that the release of Louis Someilian from the Havana jail is expected at once, and that there will remain in Cuban prisons in addition to the five Competitor prisoners only the following American citizens, all of whom are charged with rebellion with arms in hand, and therefore subject to military jurisdiction: Manuel Fernandez, confined in Fort Cabanas: Rafael Fernandez Y. Diaz, imprisoned at Sagua la Grande, and Julio Thomas Sainz and Frank Agramonte, at Santiago de Cuba.

### HOW TO FIND OUT.

Fill a bottle or common glass with uring and let it stand twenty-four hours; a sediment or settling indicates an unhealthy condition of the kidneys. When urine stains linen it is a positive evidence of kidney trouble. Too frequent desire to urinate or pain in the back is also convincing proof that the kidneys and bladder are out of order.

WHAT TO DO.

There is comfort in the knowledge so often expressed, that Dr. Kilmer's Swarop-Root, the great kidney remedy, fulfills every wish in relieving pain in the back, kidneys, liver, bladder and every part of the urinary passages. It corrects inability wine or beer, and overcomes that un-pleasant necessity of being compelled to get up many times during the night to urinate. The mild and the extraordinary stands the highest for its wonderful cures of the most distressing cases. If you need a medicine you should have the best. Sold The proprietors of this paper guarantee the genuineness of this offer.

#### COMPLAINS OF HIS HARD LUCK. The World of Business. John Summey Penniless and Sick

Wall Street Yesterday.

"It seems that fat: is against me," said New York, July 27.-There was an John Summey, a young man whose home is in Philadelphia, as he lay in a word at the Emergency Hospital last night. The young man had had an epileptic uncertain and reactionary tendency in the general stock market today. The taking of profits was again on a large scale and prices tended to sag. fit while near No. 1 station and had been

The beginning of the fortnightly settletaken to the hospital for treatment
"I came to Washington," he continued, ment on the London stock exchange disclosed the expected short account in American stocks, and foreign booses were to find work, but have been unsuccessful, and wanted to go back to Philadelphia buyers here to the extent of about 10,000 where I have friends. I was going to stay shares The news from the crops, which at the Musicipal Lodging-house tonight and was in hopes of getting enough work there was received by way of Chicago, was again thectured with some misgivings to get something to eat and a place to sleen. as to the effect of the heavy rains in the but one of those spells come on, and here I spring wheat sections, and it is probable am. You see my left eye is badly bruised, and now this spell has ruined my right-ear that for the next three weeks there will be more or less perturbation, as that will Of course, people do not want to employ be the critical period for the crops in me when they know I am subject to these he Northwestern States.

In the early dealings the strength of the anthracite coal shares made them con-Yes, I am a tinsmith; but I am willing spicuous features. The buying of these stocks was not referable to any developto work at anything in order to make an honest hving. I have suffered for food ments in the trade, but seemed to reflect the more nopeful views as to the future of since I have been here, but God knows I have tried as hard as anyone to find the anthracite industry on account of the more thorough sympathy of control resultemployment. It simply looks like I am ing from the change in the management

of the Lehigh Valley Company. ATKINSON'S OPEN LETTER The granger shares and the industrials furnished by far the larger part of the activity in the remainder of the market. In Sugar Refining and Chicago Gas con tinued liquidation was evident, and the The Federation of Labor Discusses first-named stock suffered a severe decline. The selling of the stock seems to be referablo to a general revision of the views as to the extent of the protection accorded to the refining industry in the new tariff law. The dealings in bonds were on a No Action Taken Pending the Refair scale of activity, and a reactionary tone prevailed in that market also. The closing was at slightly higher prices than the lowest of the day.

> New York Stock Market. Corrected daily by W. B. Hibbs & Co. Sankers and Brokers Members of the N. Y. Stock Exchange, 1427 F street. Or. High, Low. Clo

demains his action in relation to the coal strikers in his State, was the subject of a lively discussion at the meeting of the Federation, held list evening at Plasterers' Hall. There was a ful quota of delegates present from nineteen local labor organizations, and President Roy Carroll was in the chair.  At the meeting of the Federation on last Tuesday evening resolutions were passed severely criticising the action of Gov. Atkinson for ordering the State militia to prepare to oppose the coal strikers, and to this end to provide themselves with Gading guns and ammunition. This action on the part of Gov. Atkinson the Federation descounced as "cowardly and	American Spirits 124 124 125 125 125 American Spirits ptd. 31 1 31 31 31 31 31 31 31 31 31 31 31 3
blood hirsty, and another instance of insult and ourrage to labor which should be re- membered at the ballot-box."  The resolutions from which the above is	Denv. & R. Grande, p. d. 15% 15% 15% 15% 15% 15% 15% 15% 15% 15%
an extract were published by the local press, and a copy sent Gov Atkinson. In reply Gov Atkinson ascribes the cause	Manhattan
of the resolutions to the action of the mayor of Pocahontas, Va., in preventing General Master Workman Sovereign from	National Lead Co. 15% 855, 85% 30%, New Jersey Central. 85% 91 83 30%, New York Central. 12% 102% 101% 101%, Northern Pacific. 14%, 14 14 14
making a public address in that city.  As a matter of fact, the Federation plainly states the grounds for their action	Sortnern Pacine pid
as given above, and made no mention what- ever of the Pocabontas affair. The gover- nor also states that this is the first time	Philst, & Reading
he has ever been "denounced as cowardly or bloodthirsty." In conclusion he says: "I have no time to waste on a set of asses	Union Pacine
who congregate and pais resolutions de- nouncing without causyon; who has always	A large reaction all over the board char-
stood for labor, and who is now the abid-	

acterized the stock market yesterday. Everything went down, and some stocks dropped off badly, sugar losing more than anything cise. The buils now say that this reaction was to have been expected after so lorg a boom, and at the end of the tariff discussion. Nevertheless mo hem did not expect it, or at least held on to the stocks that they had bought. The fact of the matter is that London opera tors and the arbitrage houses in New York with the hear operators have been trying for two or three days to put the market down, and have succeeded. There was a good many stop orders at figures reached esterday, and this carried the movement of the present reaction has come, and that there will be a general recovery today.

Some brokers profess to consider the control of the present reaction has come and that there will be a general recovery today. reaction a good thing in taking out Weak holdings and putting the market on a firm foundation for "permanent higher ranges of prices."

Mr. Carley says of this condition of the market: "The market is in the midst of exactly the struggle which we anticipated. The London operators and the arbitrage houses in New York and some bear operators are trying to put it down, but the bulls have dropped the prices of their favorite stocks and have forced the bears to sell, when they do sell, at the bottom.
The program of the bulls will be to let the narket have a small reaction, as it is having, and then convince the public that the tariff reaction has spent its force, and in this way get the co-operation of the public I believe that Sugar has gone thro same kind of a scoop, which other stocks have done in a small way, and that the whole market is preparing for another upward movement. Whether the bulls will renew their tactics tomorrow there is nothing in the market now to indicate except that there has been good buying the last half hour today."

For the third week in July the earning of the Southern Railway decreased \$2,000. From July 1 to July 21 they decreased

Mr. Lindtlom says of the wheat market: "We have had enough buil news today to give us a boom. The Barrett crowd is now long. The market is very narrow and sensitive. Trading is professional as yet, and rank outsiders are selling short." Mr. Lindblom quotes a dispatch from Paris: "The condition of winter as well as spring wheat in France could hardly be worse The latest information from Roumania says that the crop there is an entire failure. The Russian crop estimates are being re-

Jane Moseley have proven themselves especially attractive to a large number of persons from this city. The boat makes a trip every morning except Monday at 9 o'clock sharp, and Saturday evening, at 6:30 o'clock, for Colonial Beach, sixty-eight miles down the river. The Moseley is considered one of the safest and fastest boats on the river, and is well fitted with comfortable furnishings, and the cafe to be found on board is unexcelled. Colonial Beach is well known as a resort par excellence. In addition to the regular attractions of a general excursion resort, one can enjoy salt water bathing, crabbing and fishing. The Saturday night trip of the steamer Moseley is an especially attractive one. The run to The Grangers continue to be the most attractive features of the market. People are fully satisfied with the earning pros pects and dividend prospects of nearly ai of them. Rock Island and Burlington seen to offer a specially good investment, and am of the opinion that starting with the low prices of yestering they should both be bought.

The gain in the earnings of L. & N is also good, and the insiders of tha company are greatly encouraged at it

The reason for the advance in Unio Pacific on Monday was probably the umor from Omaha that a petition has been filed by all the parties in interest asking the court to expedite as far as possible the process of foreclosure. Despite the slight reaction in Union Pacific yes-teriay, with the rest of the market, the stock should go higher.

This had slump in Sugar did what it was intended to to do, probably—scooped in the money of thousands of smaller traders, who had begun to believe that Sugar was going up without a break. There can be no question that the Sugar

people themselves are not through with the sugar deal. They have allowed this reaction, but everything points to higher prices of the stock, probably from a point very near the present price. There can question that the sugar people got what they wanted from the Senators in the way of tariff, and that they expect to make millions every month of the next five years. This fact, however, though

everybody believes it, does not prevent Sugar from being a very dangerous stock

Tobacco shared with the rest of the market yesterday in the reaction. Tobacco was hurt by the tariff if any of the Even now, however, there is unquestionably money in the Tobacco Trust. The best opinion seems to be that the stock will continue to pay 8 per cent, and will go higher.

McIntyre & Wardell's grain letter says:

to speculate in

Wheat advanced 1 3-4 cents this morning from yesterday's close, maintaining all but 1-4 cent of the improvement, the extreme range being from 73 to 74 for September July reled at about 4.5-8 cents premium A cable from one of our French correspondents stated that both winter and spring wheat in France could hardly be worse, latest advices from Roumania claim ed that crop almost a total failure, and Russian estimates are also being reduced. The Paris market advanced equal to 3 cents a bushel. Liverpool was strong on spot wheat, but closed a shade off on de-ferred options. Spring wheat news from the Northwest was hardly as favorable Information from South Dakota, received from parties who have been looking over the crop, claim that it has gone back materially in many portions of the State. There was but little done in cash sales here The crop reports from abroad are received with a great deal of incredulity by a majority of the speculative element, the feel-ing being that the damage claimed is likely to be exaggerated, and that a large evenent of the new crop on this side will exert a bearish influence."

Washington Stock Excharge.

Sales Metropolitan Railroad 6's, \$1,660 at 118; Citizens' National Bank, 10 at 132; U. S. Electric Light, 5 at 93; American Graphophone, 70 at 9: Pneumatic Gun Carriage, 180 at 40c; Mergenthaler Lino-type, 10 at 118 1-2; Lanston Monotype. 260 at 15 3-4 and 255 at 15 5-8. After Call Capital Traction, 10

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Chicago, July 27 .- Wheat advanced one and a quarter cents this morning from yesterday's close, maintaining all but one quarter cent of the improvement, the extreme range being from 73 to 74c. for September. July ruled at about 45-8 premium. A rable from a French cor-respondent stated that both winter and spring wheat in France could hardly be worse; latestadvices from Roumania claimed that the crop was almost a total faflure, and Russian crop estimates are also being reduced. The Parismarket advanced equal to three cents a bushel. Liverpool was strong on spot wheat, but closed a shade off on deferred options. Spring wheat crop news from the northwest were hardly as favorable.

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Dec	27%	28%	27%	25%-
Sept	17%	17.54-34	1734-34	17%
PORK.	18	1836	15	18%
Sept	7.70	7.72	7.70	7.72
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Sept	4,22	1.82	4.20	1.10
Dec	1.35	1.82	4.80	4.30
Sept	4.67	4,67	1.62	4.62
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Why the President Did Not Interfere in the Coal Trouble.

Labor Troubles May Be the Subject of an Official Report-An Interesting Question Involved.

Some time ago the strikers, through their representatives, called on President Mo-Kinley to use his friendly offices toward the settlement of the coal miners' strike. Mr. McKinley did not interpose, and, although there is a labor bureau or labor department of the Government, it does not take official cognizance of social and ininstrial upheavals like the present. Hon. Carrell D. Wright, United States

Commissioner of Labor, was away on his vacation when the strike commenced, but he has of course a sympathetic eye for the kind of news which strikes produce. He said yesterday that the Government was not directly interested in this strike for the reason that it was not an interstate matter, nor was the infraction of any Federal law involved. It was true, he said, that the strike concerned several States, but that did not make it interstate in the technical sense of that word.

Col. Wright said that it was nevertheless probable that the strike would be made the subject of a report, or will be included in the general report on strikes, their causes, etc., which from time to time appear in the annual communications of his department. The report on this particular strike will be of peculiar interest, as it occurred within a period as to which both political parties risked their reputa-

tions as prophets.

Col. Wright will not as yet risk any opinion or statement as to cause or effect on this strike. It is as yet a continuing cause, and no one can reason correctly from current facts or incidents.

LABOR DAY PROGRAM.

The Building Trades Council Arrange for a Picnic Excursion. The Building Trades Council met last evening at Electrical Workers' Ball. Ten trades unions were represented, and Presi-dent Silver was in the chair.

The flushcial secretary submitted his monthly report, which showed a good balance on the right side of the ledger.

As the result of the discussion of prepaations for the celebration of Labor Day, which will be observed by the trades unions by a picnic excursion to River View, the committee decided to organize team and challenge the Central Labor Union to a tug-of-war on thatday.

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